

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING

Centre County will hold two public hearings on the Centre County Human Services Block Grant Plan. The first hearing will be held on Thursday June 11, 2015 at the Mount Nittany Medical Center, Dreibelbis Auditorium, State College, PA. The Public Hearing will begin at 5:30pm. The second Public Hearing will be Tuesday June 16, 2015 at the Willowbank Building, Room 146, Bellefonte, PA. The Public Hearing will begin at 12:00 p.m.

The purpose of these hearings is to solicit input for the best use of the Human Services Block Grant flexible funding options between the Mental Health/ID, EI, D&A, Children and Youth Services, and the Office of Adult Services. Information specific to each program will be posted on the county's website by the close of business on Tuesday June 9, 2015. For information contact Tim Boyde at 814-355-6700 or tboyde@centrecountypa.gov

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Attachments: HearingHSBG.pdf

Good morning. Attached is the invitation to the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Human Service Block Grant Public Hearings. The Hearings provide an opportunity for providers, clients, members of the public, etc. to discuss services involved with the Block Grant. As you are a provider in the Centre County Human Services Block Grant, you are invited to attend this event. You are welcome to speak, provide written testimony, or simply attend. We encourage participation to show how the service you provide is important in our community, how your service interfaces with other county departments, and the needs you are seeing in the community that services may help resolve that the county could be involved with. Clients that have received services from your agency are also encouraged to attend and speak and/or write on behalf of how the service assisted them. You are welcome to forward this invitation onto others who may be interested in attending.

The draft plan will be posted on the county's website by close of business on Tuesday June 9th for your review. If you are unable to attend a hearing, you are welcome to submit written testimony. The testimony must be received by Friday June 19th.

We look forward to having your input for the upcoming plan. Thank you very much.

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HSBG Public Hearings
Tuesday June 16th at 12:00pm
Sign-in-Sheet

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Block Grant Report for Public Hearing 6/11/15

CVIM is a Free Medical & Dental Clinic that provides care for clients whose income is at or below 200% of Federal Poverty Guidelines and are uninsured or underinsured. 80% of our clients work in some capacity and may have several part time jobs.

CVIM has 4 main services which include medical and dental care, case management and medication assistance programs.

Block Grant Funding pays a portion of my salary.

- ✓ Basic needs case management assesses client needs for assistance with food, housing, heat, employment, applying for benefits which may include Medicaid, etc.
- ✓ Raised a total of \$4,305.00 since January 2015 for clients in need of dentures or partials.
- ✓ Provide referrals to Food Pantries within Centre County.
- ✓ Complete and submit applications for benefits/programs that clients may be eligible for through Centre Co. Office of Assistance such as MA/MAWD/SNAP/LIHEAP/CHILD CARE most commonly.
- ✓ Assist patients in transitioning into community-based medical practices after they have been approved for MA/MAWD/Medicare.
- ✓ Assisted clients with Affordable Care Act applications through marketplace exchange during open enrollment periods and special enrollment periods. Have been trained and certified as Certified Application Counselor by CMS to be able to provide this service.
- ✓ Meet with CVIM patients and non-patients for assistance with health insurance comprehension, etc.
- ✓ Member of Community Safety Net of Centre Co. as well as Centre County Council of Human Services for the purpose of networking and maintaining current knowledge of local human service agencies that may be able to provide services to CVIM clients and initiate referrals as indicated.
- ✓ Assist clients in applying for Free Care through MNMC/Geisinger Health Services. Etc. when faced with unpaid medical bills and have been denied coverage through MA, etc.
- ✓ Provide information and referral for people in need of housing assistance, utility services, mental health care, food, prescription payment, aging services, etc.

Respectfully Submitted
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CVIM



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June 18, 2015

Dear Friends,

The Youth Service Bureau (YSB) is proud to offer three services that currently fall within the Human Services Block Grant. Evidence Based Parent Education, Family Group Decision Making and DeClutter are critically important to include in the array of services that are offered to families and individuals here in Centre County.

Evidence Based Parent Education is provided through two distinct models: SafeCare and Parents as Teachers.

- SafeCare is a curriculum designed for parents of children ages birth – five years with a history of or risk for neglect and/or physical abuse. The curriculum is divided into three areas: parent-child interaction skills, home safety and age-appropriate supervision skills, and learning how to recognize and respond to common childhood health issues.
- Parents as Teachers, commonly referred to as *PAT*, is a curriculum designed for parents of children ages prenatal through school-entry (five years). The PAT model has four components: personal home visits, parent group meetings, children's developmental screenings, and connections to local resource networks. Areas of specific emphasis include facilitating positive parent-child interactions, teaching development-centered parenting techniques, and promoting family well-being through concrete assistance as well as referrals to other needed community resources.

While YSB's parenting services have historically been paid for through Children and Youth Services, the expansion into evidence based programming brings new funding opportunities. YSB is currently working to secure their PROMISE number so they will be able to work with MHID as well as Children and Youth. It is hopeful that by engaging parenting services early on, we may avoid Children and Youth intakes for some families later.

Family Group Decision Making offers an opportunity for families to rally their own members to help make decisions and develop plans to be successful in the community. These services focus on finding relatives who can assist where paid services might otherwise need to be utilized. While referrals often come from



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Children and Youth Services, we have also worked successfully with referrals from agencies like Strawberry Fields, serving the MHID population.

DeClutter serves families who are at risk of their children being placed into foster care and individuals who are at risk of losing their housing due to unsafe physical conditions within their home. DeClutter staff help clean and organize as well as develop systems and plans to keep folks safe in their homes in the long term.

All three of these services save considerable dollars by keeping children and adults in their homes, and dealing with problems on the front end. YSB is committed to providing these services, and working collaboratively with the county to ensure that adequate funding is available. We ask that these services continue to be supported as the Human Services Block Grant plan develops.

Sincerely,

Christine M. Bishop

Family Services Division Director
YSB